

Bells Bend Outdoor Center

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Tuesday-Friday: 12-4pm
Saturday: 9am-4pm
and by appointment
Please join us on Facebook

Bells Bend Park is open 7 days a week from dawn until dusk



May & June 2016 Programs

Bells Bend Night Hike



Friday, May 6 8-9:30pm Age level: All ages Call to register Come out for a night hike at Bells Bend. Hear the call of the wild. We will explore and listen for animals of the night.

Leader: Chris Guerin

Animal Tracks



Saturday, May 7 9-10am Age level: 6-10 years Call to register Learn how to find and follow animal tracks. We will also learn about animal habitats. Put on your hiking boots and we'll hit the trail.

Leader: Chris Guerin

Start a Summer Garden



Thursday, May 12 1-2pm Age level: All ages Call to register Want to start a garden but aren't sure how to begin? Come learn how to grow fresh, healthy food in your own backyard. We'll share techniques and tips and then put them to practice in the park garden. All experience levels welcome.

Leader: Kevin Sykes

Star Party at Bells Bend



Friday, May 13 8:30-10:30pm Age level: All ages Call to register

Join members of Nashville's Barnard-Seyfert Astronomical Society for star-gazing. Many telescopes and other displays will be available for up-close star viewing.

Cumberland River

History Hike



Friday, May 20 9:30-11am Age level: All ages Call to register Join us for a 2.5 mile hike and learn about the interesting history and geography of the Cumberland River. We will walk alongside the river for part of the hike.

Leader: Kevin Sykes



For assistance or accommodation, please contact the Bells Bend Outdoor Center, 615-862-4187.

June 2016 Programs

National Trails Day Saturday, June 4



Geocaching 101

Farm Hike at **Bells Bend** Park



Saturday, June 4 9-11am Age level: Adults, 13+ Call to register

Saturday, June 11 2-3pm Age level: All ages Call to register

celebrate the great outdoors! Don't forget to stop in to the Outdoor Center or Nature Center to say hello. Bells Bend Park has a unique history and many

The first Saturday of every June is National Trails Day! We invite you to hit the trails of Bells Bend, Beaman, Shelby Bottoms, or Warner Parks to

natural features. Join a naturalist to search for them on a learn More about the old farm Leader: Staff

Geocaching is a treasure hunting game using GPS coordinates to find hidden caches in the park (and elsewhere). After this class you will be able to program your GPS unit and enjoy the fun game of geocaching.

Leader: Chris Guerin

Bells Bend History and House **Tour**



Thursday, June 16 4:30-6:30pm Age level: All ages Call to register

Learn about the history of the Bells Bend area (including Native American History, Civil War battle, Clees' Ferry, and more. We will tour the historic 1842 Bell/Buchanan House on the park property!

Leader: Kevin Sykes



Family Camp light

Friday, June 24 through Saturday, June 25 4:30pm-10am Age level: All ages Call to register

Bring your family and enjoy camping at Bells Bend Park. Spend the night at our campground for the unique experience of Bells Bend after dark. Bring your own equipment. Leader: Chris Guerin

Bells Bend Night Hike



Friday, June 24 8-9:30pm Age level: All ages Call to register

Come out for a night hike at Bells Bend. We will explore and listen for animals of the night.

Leader: Chris Guerin

Camp Bells Bend & Beaman

An outdoor adventure day camp is coming to Bells Bend Outdoor Center and Beaman Park Nature Center in 2016! Campers ages 6-12 can enjoy hiking, nature education, crafts, games and outdoor fun while making friends at camp. Sessions will run Monday-Friday 9am-4pm with before and after care and busing options available. For more information, visit: www.campbellsbendbeaman.com

Please call to register: 615-862-4187

Check out programs at other Metro Parks Nature Centers, too.

For Safety and Security Needs Contact: Park Police Office: 615-880-3429

Non life-threatening emergencies: 615-862-8600 Life-threatening Emergencies: 911

